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When Bismarck opened his mouth he put his foot in it. We haven't heard anything about Frank James lately.

Our twelve city detectives must hurry up and get in their work as their thirty days engagement will soon expire.

OMAHA'S boom this year, particularly in buildings, promises to exceed that of any previous season in the history of the city.

MANAGER MORSEMAN, of the Pacific express, gave Mr. Teller a good breakfast and cordial reception upon his arrival in St. Louis.

THE Iowa senate, by a vote of 26 to 24, has agreed to submit the woman suffrage constitution amendment to the people.

THE fast mail may be a blessing in disguise, but it is all disguise so far as the Omaha newspapers are concerned.

It is high time for the registrars to prepare for their work. If they intend to comply with the law, there is no time to be lost in giving public notice of the days upon which they will sit and the places where they will open their books.

If the postmaster of Omaha cannot keep the postoffice open during the night, because the appropriation for lighting the building has run out, we move that a contribution be raised among the business men of Omaha to pay for tallow candles from now until the 1st of July.

THE woman suffragists are beginning to appreciate the fact that money is a power in politics, and that if they wish to "catch on" they must put money into their campaigns.

THE doctor factories of St. Louis and Chicago have just turned loose upon a suffering community about one hundred and fifty young men with diplomas, entitling them to practice medicine.

THE extent to which the dressed beef industry has grown is shown by the fact that of the 1,183,000 cattle slaughtered in Chicago during the past twelve months, 700,000 were required for the dressed beef interest.

NOTWITHSTANDING the wonderful progress that has been made within the last few years in the application of electricity, Edison, the inventor, predicts that within fifty years electricity will propel the cars of the street and elevated railroads in New York, light the city within and without its buildings, furnish power for all purposes, work telephones and burglar alarms, deliver the opera, convey parcels, detect and signal fire, operate fire engines, and possibly displace animal locomotion for vehicles.

BEFORE the talk about Tilden goes much further there ought to be a committee appointed to investigate and report on his actual condition. It seems to be otherwise impossible to get testimony upon which an opinion can be based.

THE democratic Ohio legislature has redeemed its reputation in part by passing a civil rights bill that prohibits discrimination on account of race or color in all places of public resort.

ANOTHER good St. Louis man has gone wrong. This time it is a bank teller, who carried off \$30,000 of other people's money.

CALIFORNIA is bound to beat the world in everything. They have just had an opera house riot in San Francisco.

JUDGE McCORRY'S shoes are still vacant, although there are a score of men who think that the shoes would fit them as perfectly as if they were made to order for them.

HONEST JOHN TAFFE.

The death of Hon. John Taffe removes from the sphere of activity another man who had taken a very prominent part in the history of this state. Few men in public life have enjoyed a better reputation for strict integrity and unselfish patriotism. Coming from his native state, Indiana, where he had been reared and educated as a lawyer, to Nebraska in 1856, when the territory was only two years old, Mr. Taffe at once took rank among the early settlers as a man of ability and character.

During his congressional career Major Taffe was largely instrumental in securing appropriations for the Omaha post-office building and the Omaha barracks, now known as Fort Omaha.

It is an agreeable surprise, remarks the Chicago Current, to read in the reported proceedings of Congress that a proposition has been made to have the funeral orations delivered on the occasion of the death of a congressman printed in the Record without delivery.

The second battle, fought on Tuesday, between the British forces under General Graham and the rebel Arabs under Osman Digma, near Tamez Wells, twelve miles from Suakin, has proved if anything more disastrous to the rebels than their signal defeat two weeks ago near Tinkisi.

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OTHER LANDS THAN OURS.

The stormy scenes in the German reichstag over the Lasker resolution has culminated in an angry, but powerful speech by Bismarck, in defense of his arbitrary course in refusing to transmit the resolutions of condolence of the United States house of representatives. From the autocratic standpoint which Bismarck occupies as the chancellor of the German empire, his resentment at being expected to act as postman, as he calls it, for a foreign legislature is very natural.

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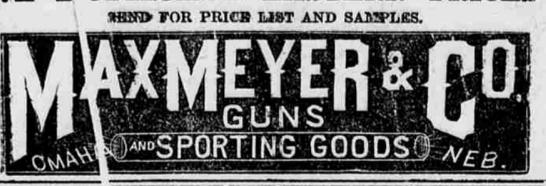
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